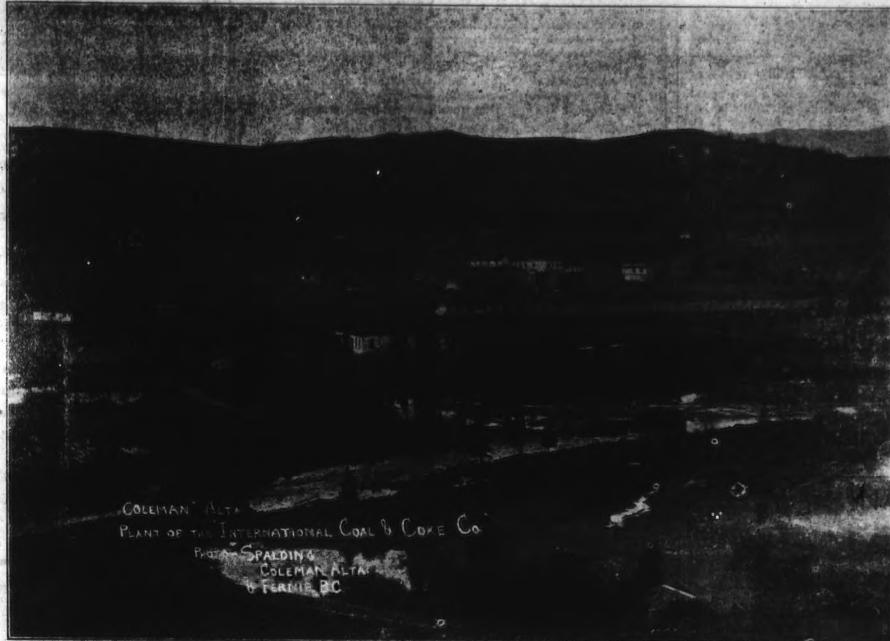


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COLEMAN, ALTA., WHERE EXTENSIVE COAL MINING OPERATIONS ARE BEING CARRIED ON AT THE PRESENT TIME—A BUSY TOWN
—KINDLY FURNISHED US BY THE DISTRICT LEDGER, FERNIE, B.C.

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Twas the night before Christmas,
when all through the house,
Not a creature was stirring, not even
a mouse.
The stockings were hung by the
chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon
would be there;
The children were nestled all snug in
their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced
through their heads;
And momma in her kerchief, and I in
my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long
winter's nap,
When out on the lawn there arose
such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see what was
the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a
flash,
To open the shutters and threw up
the sash.
The moon on the breast of the new
fallen snow,
Gave a luster of midday to objects
below;
When, what to my wondering eyes
should appear,
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny
reindeer,
With a little old driver, so lively and
quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St.
Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers
they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and
called them by name;
Now Dasher! now, Dancer! now,
Prancer! now, Vixen! now,
On, Comet! on, Cupid! on, Donner
and Blitzen! now,
To the top of the porch, to the top of
the wall!
Now, dash away, dash away, dash
away all!"
As dry leaves that before the wild
hurricane fly,

T. Ede

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Contractor and Builder

Plans and specifications
prepared, estimates given
on all kinds of buildings;

Brick, Lime, Builders' Supplies

Lumber of All Kinds

JES' FOR CHRISTMAS

Father calls me William, sister calls me Will,
Mother calls me Willie—but the fellers call me Bill!
Mighty glad I ain't a girl—ruther be a boy!
Without them sashes, curlz an' things that's worn by Fauntleroy!
Love to chawkin green apples an' go swimmin' in the lake—
Hate to take the castor lie they give fr belly-ache!
Most all the time the hull year round there ain't no flies on me,
Dad, you know Christmas Day is good as I kin be!

Got a yellin dog named Sport—sick 'im on the cat;
Fust thing she knows she doesn't know where she is at!
Got a clipper-sled, an' when we boys go out to slide
Long comes the grocery cart an' we all hook a ride!
But, sometimes, when the grocer man is worried and cross
He reaches at me with his whip and larrups up his hoss :
And then I laff and holler : "Oh, you never teach'd me!"
But jes' for Christmas I'm as good as I kin be!

Gran'ma says she hopes when I get to be a man
I'll be a misioneer like her oldis' brother Dan.
Ez wiz et up by the cannibis that lives in Ceylon's isle,
Where every prospeck pleases an' only isle!

But gran'ma she had never been to see a Wild W. st. show,
Or read the life uv Daniel Boone, or else I guess she'd know
That Buffalo Bill an' cowboys is good enough fr me—
Excep' jus' for Christmas, when I'm good as I kin be!

Then of Sport he hangs around, so solleum like an' still—
His eyes they seem a-sayin': "What's er matter, little Bill?"
The cat she sneaks down off her perch, a-wonderin' what's become
Uv them two enemies of hers that used to make things humf!
But I am so perlite and strict so earnestlike to biz.
That mother set to father: "How improved our Willie is!"
But father, havin' been a boy himself, suspicous me,
When jes' for Christmas, I'm good as I kin be!

For Christmas there's lots and lots of candies, cakes and toys,
Wuz made, they say, fr proper kids, and not fr naughty boys!
So wash yer face, and brush yer hair, and mind yer p's an' q's.
And don't bust yer pantaloons, an' don't wear out yer shoes;
Say yesum to the ladies, an' vassie to the men.
An when they're company don't pass yer plate fr pie again;
But, thinkin' uv the things you'd like to see upon that tree,
Jes' for Christmas be as good as you kin be!

—EUGENE FIELD

Rosland, Nelson and Grand Forks, or
the Boundary will be the towns included. Both divisions are to be under
the jurisdiction of the B. C. Hockey League and the Manitoba
Hockey League and the Manitoba rules will govern all games.

The referee and judge of play are to be selected by the competing teams but if the teams cannot decide upon suitable men the matter is to be referred to the league committee which will consist of managers of each team. The league committee is to settle all disputes.

Arthur A. Perley was unanimously elected secretary of the B. C. league.

The chairman of the executive committee is to be chosen by the members of that committee.

A championship shield will be put up for competition and will be the property of the team winning it for two consecutive years.

It was agreed that two games would be played by each team at home and two abroad—Nelson News.

FOR SALE—A certain location in the residential portion of Coleman. A good cash proposition or easy terms will be given. S. Charles Brooks, "The Cotton Woods," Brook street, Merritt, Nicola B.C.

FERNIE FATALITY

Alan Kennedy succumbs to
jurie. Received at Fernie on
16th Inst.

An accident which resulted in the death of Alan Kennedy occurred at Fernie on Wednesday afternoon last. Mr. Kennedy was working with the carpenters on the new rink there when a board from a scaffold fell on him knocking him against the wall, his head coming in contact with a heavy timber. He was removed at once to the hospital at Cranbrook suffering from concussion of the brain, where he succumbed to his injuries on Friday. The body was taken back to Fernie, where it was interred on Sunday afternoon. Mr. Kennedy had made a large number of friends who deeply regret his untimely end.

To make future issues
of the future you
must put something
into the present.

AGENTS WANTED To S. H. Securities.
FOR SALE Fruit Land and Cheap
Homes, City Lots, Farms
an' Suburban Acres, &c.

Gold-Copper pay big
dividends. A. L. G. & Co.
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Containing over 100 views, post paid 25c. stamp. Richest Prov in British Empire
Nothing Risked Nothing Gained. Nothing Ventured, Nothing Won

Splendid Opportunity to Invest

The ri-best men in the world are investing in British Columbia
Copper-Gold and silver mines. Why can't you begin now? The
greatest Gold-Copper discovery o the age is in British Columbia.

Big Four Consolidated Gold Mines, Ltd. Capital, \$625,000

Every Dollar Subscribed used in Development of Mine—

Special Offer—20c. per Share, will shortly advance to \$1

Mines directly west of Le Roi and Le Roi No. 2, shares sold from 5 cents to \$1.00, and Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. of Canada, Ltd., share \$1.00 each, the Giant Gold, California, adjoining our own, share about \$10.00. Gran'ma, Miners and Miners' wives paid dividends per year. Gold-Copper mines in British Columbia paid large Dividends. Big Four assays from \$35.00 to \$40.00 in gold, copper, silver, with .30 per cent. in the treasury. Invest now and you won't regret it.

Most of these mines sold for a few cents over, but over capitalized even now, pay big dividends. Big Four is on the railway, near smelters.

Rosland mines received Highest Awards for richest gold-copper ore sent to the Louis Exposition. Big Four had Best Display at Dominion Fair, New Westminster, B. C.

At least 10 shares sold for cash, above this. Shares can be had on installmient plan, on yearly contract, 10 per cent. cash, balance monthly.

Nearly Two Miles of Railway on Property.

Company has no debts or liabilities. Send for illustrated Prospectus and Booklet, "Mining Up-to-Date," to Secretary, with 5 cents in stamps

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Every Thing in Hardware

Coleman Hardware Co.

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If you buy a box of Bon Bons
at The Palm you are not
strictly fresh please return
them and your money will be
refunded, as all our Bon Bons
ARE GUARANTEED

We wish all our Patrons
A MERRY CHRISTMAS

W. L. Bridgeford

DR. JOHN WESTWOOD
Physician and Surgeon
Office: Miners' Union Hospital, 2nd Street
Hours: 9-10 a.m. 4-5 and 7-8 p.m.

Christmas Reductions

We can show you

A great variety of Pipes from \$ 25 up
Combination Sets from \$ 50 up
Tobacco Pouches from 50 up
Cigar and Cigarette Holders
from 150 up
Match Cases from 50 up
Gun Metal Smokers' Sets from 40 up
Cigars put up specially for the
Christmas trade, per box
from 100 up

And many other Chri-tmas Pre-sents too numerous to mention

Pastime Pool Room Morrison & Clayton

YOU Must be interested in what I have been able to do for you. I have just opened out a parcel of direct importations from China and factories in the world. Usually you pay \$3.00 for a gold filled brooch. I am to-day selling a solid gold gem brooch for \$2.40, solid gold necklace with red pearls for \$1.50 and for \$18.00 usually sold for \$30.00. My stock is too large for a small town but the prices are sure to catch all buyers in the Pass, in fact it will make buying a pleasure. Cannot describe my stock so please call and inspect, all welcome.

Alex. Cameron
Watchmaker, Optician
and Issuer of Marriage Licenses

When in Town call at the
Alberta Hotel

which is now under new
management. A hotel
which makes you feel at home

The Farmers' and Ranchers'
Headquarters

**Excellent Table
Bar Up-to-Date**

F. M. Collins,
Proprietor

Pincher Creek Alberta

COLEMAN PEBBLES

Happenings of Interest in and Around this Bustling Town. You are Talked About

Read the Grand Union hotel's new ad. in this issue.

J. Meredith came here from Lethbridge on Saturday.

Frank Whitney, of Lethbridge, spent Monday in town.

Lane & Wagner, photographers, were busy here on Monday taking views of Coleman.

Frank Turley, of London, England, has arrived in Coleman and is living with Dr. Westwood.

Arthur W. Wright, of Fernie, arrived in town on Sunday and compound on the MINER staff.

Rev. James Sergeant will conduct Baptist service in the Oddfellow's hall, Coleman, on Sunday at 11 a.m.

The Coleman Lodge, No. 39, I.O.O.F., will give an "at home" in the opera house here on Wednesday evening.

A. Mutz and W. A. Heflinger, of Fernie, came down here on Tuesday night and returned to Fernie on Wednesday.

A communication signed "Fair Play" and a few other articles, which are crowded out of this issue, will appear in our next.

Mr. James McNeil and Mrs. John McAlpine, who have been at Spokane during the past week, returned to Coleman on Sunday morning.

A. C. Flunnenfelt and H. N. Galer, president and vice-president of the International Coal and Coke Co., returned to Spokane on Saturday.

A hockey match will be played at the Arena rink, Coleman, on Christmas Day, between the I. O. O. F. and F. O. E. A good game and an exciting one are assured.

FOR SALE.—At less than half price, a man's imitation Persian Lamb Skin Coat. This coat has only been worn a few times and is in good condition. Apply at this office.

D. L. McPhee, who will shortly take charge of the Royal City Mercantile store at Lethbridge, went to Lethbridge on Saturday night, his flier and returned to town on Monday.

Harry Higgins will give a moving picture entertainment at the Eagle Hall here each night next week. Mr. Higgins has a good machine and good films, and a crowd awaits him.

J. F. Povah, general manager of the McGillivray Creek Coal & Coke Co., who has been to Spokane consulting with the other directors and officials of the new company on a great many important matters, returned to Coleman on Tuesday.

The smoker who was given by the Coleman hockey club in the open house here on Saturday night last proved a grand success. A good program consisting of singing, speeches, club swinging, moving pictures and boxing contests, was given and was well enjoyed.

For a Christmas gift you cannot better a certificate of oil shares. Such a gift is not only very appropriate but carries with it greater possibilities than any other present. A few oil shares have made many fortunes quickly and from this fact everyone wants some. Write Beale & Elwell, Cranbrook, B.C., before buying.

O. E. Whiteside, general manager of the International Coal and Coke Co., Mr. Mrs. Whiteside arrived here on the flyer on Sunday morning last. Mr. Whiteside, as many of our readers know, was recently married at Chicago, Ill., an announcement of which appeared in our issue of the 4th instant. Mr. and Mrs. Whiteside have the best wishes of the people of Coleman for a long, prosperous and happy wedded life.

SUDDEN DEATH AT LILLE

Frederick Stoner, a miner, working at Lille, was found dead in his bed at the late there on Sunday last. Mr. Stoner had been illing for about ten days, but he felt better on Saturday and he intended to go to work again on Monday. The immediate cause of death was heart failure. He was buried at Lille on Monday afternoon. Rev. T. M. Murray, of Coleman, conducted the funeral services.

MINE ACCIDENTS

Slav Slightly Hurt—David J. Lewis Meets With a Painful Accident.

One Jajos, a Slav, whilst working on the tipple, his left hand got caught in the machinery, completely crushing his thumb and tearing away the palm of the hand and it was found necessary to amputate the thumb.

On Monday evening, whilst David J. Lewis, a driver boss of No. 4 seam, was un-coupling cars at No. 41 chute, he had the misfortune to have his left leg caught between two lots of cars whilst in motion, causing a compound fracture of the small bone and a comminuted of the larger one, which will probably necessitate operation later.

The accident happened at 7 o'clock and Mr. Lewis was immediately taken to the hospital, where he will probably remain for several weeks.

This is the fourth time within five months that Mr. Lewis has met with a misfortune whilst working at the mine.

ORGANIZATION OF THE MCGILLIVRAY GREEK COAL & COKE COMPANY

We clip the following from the Spokane Spokesman-Review of the 20 inst.—Articles of incorporation have been filed with the county auditor for the McGillivray Creek Coal & Coke company, limited, a \$3,000,000 corporation, which is to operate extensive coal properties near Coleman, Alberta, not far from the International Coal and Coke company's mines. The new corporation is backed by several Minnesota capitalists, chief of whom is Henry L. Simon, a wealthy banker of Glenwood, Minn. The local men connected with the company are Byron E. Sharp and Herbert T. Irvine.

Several conferences were held yesterday with attorneys, but no information could be obtained, further than that the company is prepared to develop the property on a large scale, and that this work will begin shortly after the visit of Mr. Simon, who is expected to come west about the middle of January. The company owns 360 acres of coal land bearing several seams of coking coal, said to be one of the finest grade for this purpose. Considerable exploration has been done in the way of surface cuts, at the outcroppings, the seams lying at a steep incline, so much so that the company is satisfied with the showing.

The property lies about one mile from the Canadian Pacific railway, and easily can be reached by a spur. James A. Nowell, of St. Paul, Minn., one of the incorporators, who is in the city, will leave for Minnesota tomorrow afternoon to consult with the eastern stockholders regarding the arrangements to be made for development. Mr. Nowell came down from the coal field a few days ago, after going over the ground with engineers, and yesterday J. Frank Povah, formerly general manager for the International, arrived to consult with the directors and officials. Mr. Povah recently left the service of the International to become general manager of the new company.

The officials are: James A. Nowell, president; Byron E. Sharp, secretary and treasurer; J. F. Povah, general manager; T. N. Palne, of Glencoe, Minn., a director.

Everybody's glad but father, he's such an awful jay,

Face as long as a hatchet round about Christmas day.

Mother's bubbling over and so is sister Ann.

Everybody's glad down our house 'cept my old man.

For Sale

Have this deal which I can sell
22 acre warrent. \$1.00 per acre.
Choose land any time up to end 1910.

CAPTAIN COOPER,
Box 412, Calgary, Alberta

I take this opportunity of informing the residents of the Pass that I am prepared to collect accounts, rents, etc. Anything in this line entrusted to me will receive prompt attention. Commissioners for taking affidavits. House and checks to rent.

Trade at the Store
that serves you best.

That is here.

Morgan's

Greater Stock with
greater values than
ever.

PINCHER CITY, ALBERTA

XMAS CARDS

ECONOMY FANCY GOODS

We have just received from an eastern firm the nicest line of Xmas Cards obtainable. Just the thing to send the old folks as a greeting.

BOOTS AND SHOES

Surgeon's Tan 16 in. Boots in all sizes, regular elsewhere \$3, our price only \$5
McCrady's Riding Boots, regular elsewhere \$6.50, our price \$5
Other stock in this line equally as reasonable.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

A large assortment of Xmas presents is to be found here in the jewellery line, all the way down from a Diamond Ring to a safety Pin.

GRAMA-PHONES

We are agents for the famous Columbia Gramaphones. Call and see them and let us explain why you should own one. Prices \$25 to \$55 on easy terms.

FELT SHOES

A splendid stock of felts to fit the whole family.

Child's, size 4 to 7	\$1.00
Child's, size 3 to 10	1.15
Miss', size 11 to 2	1.25
Boy's size 11 to 5	1.25
Woman's, size 3 to 7	2.00
Man's, size 8 to 11	2.40

SOCKS

Woolen Socks at 25c, 30c, and 40c per pair.

SHIRTS

Men's Heavy Wool and Flannel Work Shirts, per pair at \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50

Underwear per suit, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50

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The Boom Will Soon be on at Pincher City

If You Want to Get in On It Get On the Ground Quick

Alberta is the best Province in Canada. Southern Alberta is the best part of Alberta, and Pincher City is located in the best part of Southern Alberta, so you see its location is right. Pincher City is located 30 miles west of Macleod, and 20 miles east of Frank on the Crows Nest Railway. It is situated on the Crows Nest River, which flows into the South Saskatchewan River. It is a place where small capital will let you in, not only is it located in the best Farming District in Southern Alberta. It is also in the Coal deposits, the coal here is taking place will mean much to Pincher City when under full headway, also has been found in considerable quantities. AND AT PRESENT AN OUTFIT WITH IMMENSE MACHINERY, AND ENORMOUS CAPITAL INVESTED, IS BORING FOR OIL ONLY ONE MILE FROM PINCHER CITY with good indication of making a successful strike. Only those who know what an oil strike means to a town can imagine what an oil strike will mean to Pincher City.

IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A BUSINESS LOCATION. Get into Pincher City before the rush, take our tip, Pincher City is going to boom. You can get in now on very little money. There are no new towns in the north west that have any better prospects.

About Pincher Creek, which some think is an opposition town to Pincher City. We have nothing to say against it or its people. The reason is that it is located three miles out in the country, three miles off the railway, is burden enough for it to have to bear without any docks from which to export. But it is different with some of the people of Pincher Creek towards Pincher City, who have their knockers continually trained on Pincher City, which proves to a clear headed business man, who knows that all the good towns are built on the railway, that these knockers are afraid of Pincher City, for they know it is only a question of time when Pincher Creek will not be in the race.

WE WANT YOU TO COME TO PINCHER CITY and investigate its location, and if you want to visit Pincher Creek we will furnish you with a guide, otherwise you might not be able to find it. We want you to go there to hear Pincher City get knocked by the knockers there. You will find knockers there, who have the art of knocking Pincher City down to a fine science, and then all we ask you to do is to use your own judgment and act accordingly.

Good Farming Land Cheap

If you have made a failure at everything else, come and try Farming in the Pincher District. You will be almost sure to make a success of it, as others have done. If you want to farm why not locate in the best place, where crop failures are unknown, where the land grows the largest yield, where irrigation is unnecessary, where the climate is the mildest, where stock grazes out all winter, and right at the door of the largest market in Canada (the British Columbia Mining and Lumber Camps), where there is always a demand for your Farm Products. They are now getting in to this favored spot, get in now while you can buy land for less than one half what it is worth.

GOOD FARMING LAND can be bought for \$5 to \$10 per acre, and there is not an acre of tillable land within 7 miles of Pincher City that is not actually worth \$50 per acre, and will be selling at that figure, and higher, in a very short time.

PINCHER CITY WILL SOON BOOM because the land in the District where it is located is being brought under cultivation rapidly. The coal mines in the vicinity are being developed, the rivers of oil which are below it are being tapped. With all these industries under development in the district, Pincher City will boom it must boom. Get located in Pincher City now, get in on practically the ground floor, and get the benefit of the boom. If you are looking for land, and want to get it located in the best part of Southern Alberta, or want to go in business, or reside in a New Town that has better prospects than any New Town in the North West, for full particulars call on or address

GALVIN & HATFIELD, Pincher City Alberta

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**New Life
FOR
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Trouble**

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Take a good look at the SACK and see that the UNION LABEL of the

International Union of Flour and Cereal Mill Employees

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Pride of Alberta Mother's Favorite

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The First Unionized Flour and Cereal Employees in Canada

No matter what your dealer may tell you

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Coleman Liquor Store

In Your Trunk

angly packed where it's handy to get at is a good place to put a bottle of

Good Old Sherry

before leaving to take a trip. If you want to add a bottle of Bellab's Tokay or Pincher Creek Rye or Bourdeaux, or any other. Our store is the precise place to get good liquors at. Prices are always reasonable.

W. EVANS

Wholesale Liquor Dealer

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned, as druggists in the village of Coleman has, this day, been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to Harry A. Parks and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the same Harry A. Parks by whom the same will be settled.

Witness, HARRY A. PARKS, Alexander J. JOLLY, GAGE C. GAGE, Dated October 8, 1908.

Saturday Specials

Spring Lamb
Spring Chicken
Fresh Turkey
Empire Creamery Butter
Fresh layed Eggs

P. Burns & Co.
Limited

Coleman
Livery

Every attention given to travellers and the local public.

Bellab's Horses, Good Bogs
General Draying Business Done

Wm. Haley, Proprietor



Summit Lodge, No. 30

A. P. and M. G. R. A.
meets first Thursday
each month at 8 p.m. in the
Masonic hall. All visiting
brethren made welcome.

John Westwood, W.M.
D. J. McIntyre, Secy.



Coleman Aerio
I.O.O.F.

Order of Eagles
meets 2nd and last
Saturday monthly
at 8 p.m. All
members invite
H. G. GATE, Secy.



Knights of Pythias, Castle
Hall, Sentinel Lodge
No. 25

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